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**Petition for Express Abandonment under 37 CFR 1.138(d) to Obtain a Refund**

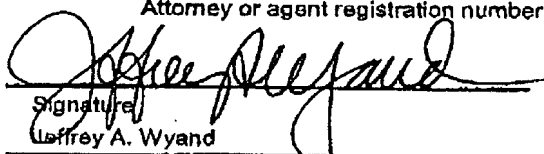
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☐ attorney or agent acting under 37 CFR 1.34, who is authorized under 37 CFR 1.138(b) because the application is expressly abandoned in favor of a continuing application.  
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